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Yoshihiro ABIKO, et al.)
Serial No. 10/629,613) Examiner: Unknown
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For: **METHOD OF COLLECTING DATA FOR ESTIMATION OF SUSCEPTIBILITY TO PERIODONTAL DISEASE**

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In accordance with their obligation under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants would like to call the Examiner's attention to the documents listed on the attached forms SB-08A and B.

Applicants note that all of the documents listed are cited and discussed in the specification of the subject application.

Japanese application JP 2001-57892 can be found at page 49, lines 11-12, and U.S. published application 2002/0025519 A1 is the corresponding U.S. application from which the Japanese application claims priority.

With regard to the literature references listed in form SB/08B, they are discussed

in the specification at the following respective locations:

L.I. Holla, et al., page 5, lines 17-20,

G. Diamond, et al., page 13, lines 15-18,

T. Ganz, page 15, lines 4-5,

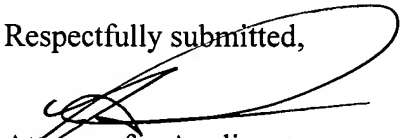
L. Liu, et al. page 17, lines 19-22,

L. Liu, et al., page 17, line 22 to page 18, line 1,

E.B. Kopp, et al., page 18, lines 2-4.

Applicants are not aware at this time of any other prior art which could be considered to be relevant to the present application.

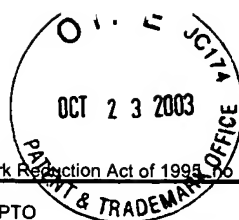
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		G. DIAMOND, et al., Transcriptional Regulation of Beta-Defensin Gene Expression in Tracheal Epithelial Cells. "Infect. Immun." 68(1), p 113-119 (2000)	
		T. GANZ, Defensins and Host Defense, "Science" 1999; 286; 420-421	
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		E. B. KOPP, et al., NF-kB and Rel Proteins in Innate Immunity, "Adv. Immunol." 1995; 58; 1-27	

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